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Massachusetts Lottery officials estimated the $550 million Powerball jackpot had generated about $12 million in unrestricted local aid funds for Bay State cities and towns. The jackpot has been growing for 15 consecutive drawings dating back to Oct. 3, with sales of the multi-state game's tickets in Massachusetts totaling more than $29 million so far. SHNS

Today's local tweet

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In the news

▶ Davey

DOT studying commuting gap

MASSACHUSETTS. When asked about a recent study by Northeastern University that shows a racial disparity among Boston commuters, MassDOT Secretary Richard Davey told Boston Public Radio yesterday that the agency is already studying the issue.

MassDOT started a study of Roxbury, Dorchester and Mattapan three years ago that aims to improve transportation, Davey said.

"There are a number of neighborhoods of all ethnicities that we've left behind," he said. METRO

Homeowners face 'nasty' party charges

MILTON. The owners of a Milton home pleaded not guilty to charges that they hosted a party of 1,500 people and sold alcohol without proper licenses. Steve and Sharon Mathieu pleaded not guilty during their arraignment yesterday, according to Boston.com. Their lawyer said they let family friends use the pool house, which is bigger than their home and can't be seen from the road, for a fundrasier that took place Labor Day weekend. They were not aware that it was advertised as a "Make It Nasty Mansion Pool Party" their lawyer said. BOSTON.COM

Two shot, one fatally in Roxbury

ROXBURY. One man was killed and another seriously injured in a daytime shooting in Roxbury yesterday.

The identities of the men were not released, but Police Commissioner Ed Davis said they were both about 20 years old. Officers responded to Batchelder and Longmeadow streets and found the two men suffering from gunshot wounds after the 2:45 p.m. incident.

No one had been charged as of press time. METRO/GLOBE

Feeling lucky, Everett?

◗ Wynn Resorts and Caesars Entertainment could go head-to-head for Boston-area casino license ◗ Casino magnate Steve Wynn visits potential Everett resort site

ERIN BALDASSARI/METRO

▶ Everett Mayor Carlo DeMaria and Steve Wynn were all smiles yesterday as the two talked about a potential casino in Everett.

The competition

In June, Suffolk Downs revealed plans to build a $1 billion Caesars casino resort at its historic racetrack in East Boston.

- Project leaders have dubbed the development as a "world-class resort and casino" that will include a hotel, 10 restaurants, a casino gaming complex, retail shops, entertainment areas, luxury spa facilities and, of course, horse racing.
- The 200,000-square-foot gaming space would include about 5,000 slot machines, 200 table games and a World Series of Poker room.
- The 163-acre track, which has been running live horse racing for 77 years, is about 10 minutes from downtown Boston and about three miles from Logan Airport.
- Developers said the resort could generate 2,500 construction jobs and more than 4,000 resort jobs for Boston-area residents.

When asked why an Everett casino would be better than the one proposed at Suffolk Downs in Revere and East Boston, Steve Wynn had a simple answer: "the developer."

The casino mogul, who has built Las Vegas resorts Treasure Island, Bellagio and The Mirage, said yesterday at Everett City Hall that the North Shore community "seems like the natural" place to build a casino; however, he did not directly commit to the project.

"When a city like Everett decides that it wants to encourage change, whether it is, industrial or recreational or residential, those are big decisions," he said. "This idea that Massachusetts is going to allow casino gaming in certain places has stirred a lot of interest across the state."

Earlier this year, Wynn pitched a $1 billion casino plan in Foxborough on a parcel near Gillette Stadium he wanted to lease from New England Patriots owner Robert Kraft. Community opposition in part forced the men to suspended their proposal.

"At the time of that invitation, Robert Kraft and I made it clear that it would only be a good idea for Wynn Resorts if it would be a good idea for Foxborough," Wynn said. "As time went by, it became clear that there was a divided opinion ... on whether the community wanted to have a destination hotel development such as we build."

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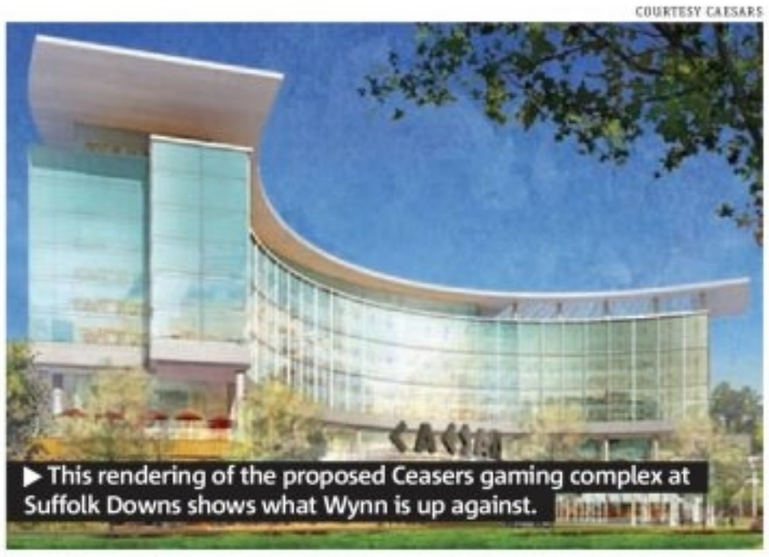

▶ This rendering of the proposed Ceasers gaming complex at Suffolk Downs shows what Wynn is up against.

The Everett casino would be built on a 37-acre parcel on Horizon Way, on the banks of the Mystic River.

Formerly known as "Chemical Lane," the site was long used as a spot for industrial businesses, and has been vacant since 1983.

When asked if he was concerned over the parcel's history, Wynn said "it has to be cleaned."

The casino is up against another proposed casino only miles away, where Suffolk Downs and Caesars Entertainment have applied for casino development rights at the famous East Boston horse track.

"Here, we have Everett, Mass., virtually an extension of Greater Boston metro area, a place where a lot of nice things are happening in sports, conventions," Wynn said. "It seems like the natural place for another great hotel, even though there isn't one today in Everett."

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Mayor plugs Everett

The casino resort would be built on a 37-acre parcel in southern Everett, on the edge of the Mystic River. The site was used as an industrial park for more than a century.

Everett Mayor Carlo DeMaria said yesterday the city is a "stone's throw" from Boston's North End and is easily accessible by multiple interstates and highways. It's proximity to Logan Airport is also appealing, he said.

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Man attacks UMass student

A UMass Boston student was sexually assaulted Tuesday afternoon when she arrived at the JFK/UMass station in Dorchester, Transit Police and the school said yesterday.

Police said the 12:30 p.m. attack happened in a parking lot adjacent to Sydney Street, and that the victim was set upon while walking toward the T station's entrance.

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When asked how a sex crime could have happened in broad daylight, MBTA Superintendent-in-Chief Joseph O'Connor said "the facts and circumstances of the case are currently under investigation."

The suspect is described as a white man in his mid-20s, with a heavy build, clear complexion and a "scruffy brown beard." **METRO/MR**

State: About 200 inmates set free in drug lab crisis

Shortly after the announcement that a rogue chemist had allegedly tainted thousands of drug evidence samples, city and state leaders worried that a flood of inmates could be released back into communities.

However, the state's secretary of public safety and security said yesterday that 195 inmates have been released statewide as of Nov. 10 with 79 of those inmates being released in Boston.

"The number's a lot less than what we thought," Secretary Mary Elizabeth Heffernan said in her testimony during an oversight hearing at the State House yesterday.

Former state chemist Annie Dookhan has been charged with allegedly mishandling drug samples at a state lab in Jamaica Plain. State officials estimated that as many as 34,000 criminal drug cases may be impacted and a special group is currently reviewing the cases.

Heffernan also told the committees of lawmakers holding the hearing that there are other difficulties with the fall out.

"Matching services with offenders when they come out continues to be a challenge," she said of reentry services.

She also said she is seeking more than $3 million for her department to help with a backlog of about 10,000 cases.

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Oversight under fire

Alleged rogue chemist Annie Dookhan's productivity was regularly about 50 percent better than her fellow scientists and it did not drop even though her colleague's work did after a court decision requiring researchers to testify in drug cases.

Health and Human Services Secretary JudyAnn Bigby testified yesterday that the red flags raised by the high productivity were not properly investigated.

Bigby also said that officials were not made aware of lapses in protocol by Dookhan even though it was discovered by lab managers in June 2011.

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Toys. For tots

▶ State police, and Santa, are asking for toy donations.

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Flanked by Santa Claus, state police officials launched the department's annual toy drive to help bring gifts to children this holiday season. The law enforcement agency partners with the Toys for Tots. New, unwrapped toys can dropped off at state police barracks through Dec. 17. **METRO**

News in brief

Pay your parking ticket with a toy

BOSTON. The city is again allowing parking violators to donate a toy instead of paying their fines.

The "Toys for Tickets" program applies to tickets issued between today and Saturday, according to city officials.

Violators can resolve their tickets by providing a non-violent, unwrapped toy of equal or greater value than the ticket. Tickets and the toy receipt will be collected through Dec. 8.

Some violations are excluded. METRO

Fed biz contacts in area report slow growth

BOSTON. Business contacts in the Federal Reserve district centered in Boston are reporting slower rates of economic growth lately, with "mixed" sales results among retailers, "weak growth" in manufacturing and "disappointing" results in software and information technology, according to a Beige Book report released yesterday. SHNS

Man pleads not guilty in rape

BOSTON. A man accused of sexually assaulting a Beacon Hill woman pleaded not guilty during his arraignment yesterday.

Authorities said that 45-year-old Anthony Williams followed the 28-year-old victim to her apartment when she returned there after 2 a.m. earlier this month, forced his way in and assaulted her. METRO

There's more to seasonal beer than pumpkin brews

Months after hosting a successful summer beer festival in Somerville, Boston beer lovers Jeff Wharton and Devon Regan are gearing up for their "Drink Craft Beer Fall to Winter Fest" this Friday and Saturday.

Their first winter-inspired suds extravaganza will offer 85 seasonally inspired local beers and holiday ales.

"After Summerfest sold out, it was a no-brainer," Wharton said. "We started looking at what we wanted to do next, but we wanted to put on a festival that showcased more than just pumpkin."

That's why Wharton, co-founder of Drinkcraftbeer.com, spent the last few months bouncing around New England to assemble the perfect collection of craft brews.

The beers include some of the region's best holiday flavors, like apple, sweet potatoes and ginger, and Wharton said the brews pair well with food from local vendors: "Suddenly we are seeing everyone pairing beer and chocolate. But food and beer pairing in general seems to be growing."

Summerfest drew 1,200 people, Wharton said, but to keep guests satiated, this weekend's fest has a cut off of 650.

"We really want to introduce some great local breweries in the area, and that's not going to work if only three beers are sampled."

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- Ninety-seven percent of U.S. brewers, as of June 30, are craft brewers.
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In the news

Iran to press on with enrichment, nuclear chief

DUNAI. Iran will go on refining uranium "with intensity" and the number of enrichment centrifuges it has operating will rise substantially in the current year, the country's nuclear energy chief was quoted as saying yesterday.

The comments by Fereydoun Abbasi-Davani, head of Iran's Atomic Energy Organization, signalled continued defiance in the face of international demands that Tehran halt enrichment to the higher 20-percent fissile purity level, close down its Fordow enrichment plant and ship out its stockpile of the material. REUTERS

Boehner confident about deal

GETTY IMAGES

▶ John Boehner speaks during a press conference at the Capitol.

U.S. stocks sharply pared losses yesterday after U.S. House Speaker John Boehner said he was optimistic that a deal on the "fiscal cliff" to avert large tax hikes and spending cuts could be reached.

After falling nearly 1 percent, the S&P 500 pared losses to trade near flat after Boehner said that Republicans were willing to put revenues on the table if Democrats agreed to spending cuts.

For weeks now, the market has been swinging back and forth on headlines out of Washington regarding the ongoing U.S. budget talks.

"While there's little that the president and vice president could do, we still believe a legislative compromise will be reached before 'fiscal cliff' detonates," said Jack Ablin, chief investment officer at BMO Private Bank. REUTERS

Obama shares confidence over deal

President Obama urged supporters to press Congress for a deal, saying he hoped to strike one before Christmas.

"Our ultimate goal is an agreement that gets our long-term deficit under control in a way that is fair and balanced," Obama said. "I believe that both parties can agree on a framework that does that in the coming weeks. In fact, my hope is to get this done before Christmas."

Shares rise on hopes of a compromise

NEW YORK. Stocks turned higher yesterday on investors' hopes that a compromise could be reached to avoid the "fiscal cliff" following comments from U.S. House Speaker John Boehner and President Barack Obama.

Shares of Costco Wholesale Corp jumped 5.5 percent to $101.81 after the retailer became the latest company to announce a special dividend in case taxes jump next year.

The market sharply pared losses in late-morning trading after Boehner's optimistic comments about a deal on the "fiscal cliff" to avert large tax hikes and spending cuts currently under discussion. REUTERS

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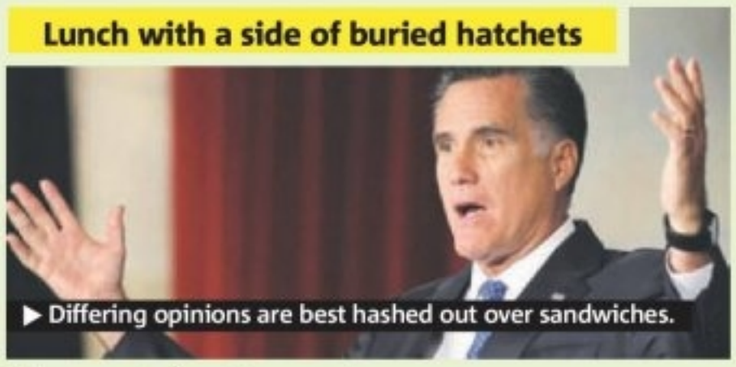


▶ Differing opinions are best hashed out over sandwiches.

Obama to host Romney at lunch

President Barack Obama will host Mitt Romney for a private lunch at the White House today, their first meeting since Obama defeated him in this month's presidential election. The encounter follows Obama's promise, in the aftermath of the bitterly fought Nov. 6 election, to consult the former Republican governor of Massachusetts by the end of the year. It also comes amid Obama's efforts to work out with congressional leaders a way to avoid a looming "fiscal cliff" that could push the U.S. economy back into recession.

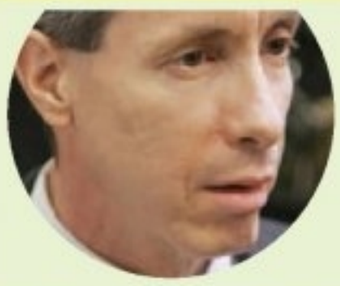
"Governor Romney will have a private lunch at the White House with President Obama in the private dining room," the White House said. "It will be the first opportunity they have had to visit since the election." Obama's talks with Romney will be sandwiched between a series of events this week in which he is making his case to raise taxes on the wealthy. **REUTERS**

Swallow the money

Branded drug prices outstrip inflation

U.S. price increases on popular branded drugs in the past year have been more than six times the overall rate of inflation for consumer goods, while spending on specialty medications is up nearly 23 percent, according to data compiled by Express Scripts for its first quarterly drug trend report. The pharmacy benefit manager found that prices on a collection of the most widely used brand name prescription medicines rose 13.3 percent from Sept 2011 to Sept 2012. That outpaced the overall economic inflation rate of 2 percent. **REUTERS**

Texas seize 'em



Officials seek to take over Jeffs ranch

Texas officials yesterday filed legal documents to seize a 1,600-acre West Texas ranch where officials say jailed polygamist leader Warren Jeffs sexually assaulted children.

The state attorney general's office filed a search and seizure warrant and an affidavit in state District Court in Schleicher County over the YFZ (Yearning for Zion) Ranch in Eldorado, Texas. The attorney general's office says Jeffs had sought a remote location for a the compound. **REUTERS**

Thanks for playing (not)

US bans BP from federal contracts

The U.S. government banned BP Plc. from new federal contracts yesterday over its "lack of business integrity" in the Deepwater Horizon oil spill in 2010, which could imperil the British energy giant's U.S. footing. The suspension, announced by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, comes on the heels of BP's Nov. 15 agreement with the U.S. government to plead guilty to criminal misconduct in the Gulf of Mexico disaster, the worst offshore oil spill in U.S. history. BP agreed to pay $4.5 billion in penalties. **REUTERS**

$20B Amount of settlement BP could pay if found grossly negligent in Deepwater Horizon spill.

Pot in the Prairie State

Illinois considers medical marijuana

The Illinois General Assembly will consider whether to legalize the use of marijuana for medical purposes and join a growing group of states that officially approve pot as a medicine.

The proposal for a three-year pilot program would make Illinois the second most populous state in the nation to allow medical marijuana after California. Nineteen states and the District of Columbia have legalized medical marijuana.

Colorado and Washington state voters decided on Nov. 6 to allow recreational use of cannabis. **REUTERS**

The hotel shaped like an intestine

GEERT VERBEKE

▶ An overnight stay at Hotel CasAnus includes breakfast and an entry pass to the sculpture park.

Unusual architecture

If you have the stomach for it, you ought to stay at this intestine-shaped lodging. This one-room gut hotel is located in the sculpture park Verbeke Foundation near Antwerp, Belgium.

The inn features a double bed, shower, toilet and heater. Metro spoke to the owner to learn more about the hotel.

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Euros ($155 U.S. dollars) is the rate per night for two people to stay at the CasAnus hotel. The price includes breakfast and an entry pass into the sculpture park. "In the summertime, we have three or four bookings a week for the CasAnus, so it's a very popular place to stay," Verbeke told Metro.

A visceral work of art

The room is in fact an artwork named CasAnus, made by the Atelier Van Lieshout, a collective run by Dutch artist Joep van Lieshout. It is one piece of the collective's "Organ" series, which explores enlarged parts of the human digestive system. "It is a multifunctional work of art, where the idea of art and applied art are combined," a spokesperson for the collective told Metro.

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German zoophiles lash out at bestiality ban

Sex with animals will be banned in Germany, pending a controversial law change. Following a campaign from animal rights groups, the government has decided that bestiality "forces animals to behave in ways that inappropriate to their species," according to Agriculture Committee Chairman Hans-Michael Goldmann.

Germany is one of the last European countries to tolerate the practice, which has been legal since 1969. It hosts a thriving zoophile community, which has reacted angrily to the law change.

"There are already laws against hurting an animal, but there is no harm in what we do," Michael Kiok, head of the Zoophile Engagement for Tolerance and Information (ZETA) group, told Metro. "Animals can show if they want to have sex or not, as they can show if they are hungry or want to exercise."

Kiok, who is in a relationship with his Alsatian dog, claims to represent thousands of zoophiles and says they will campaign to stop the law. "We want to inform the public that we are not cruel, we see animals as equal to people, and we want to stop the hate."

Q+A with Michael Kiok

You defend consensual sex with animals — how can they consent?
It's simple. If you know your pet, you can know if it wants to have sex or not. Animals can communicate their needs.

What does a relationship with an animal entail?
You can't go out for dinner together! It's like a normal relationship with a pet where you look after it but the difference is that you regard the animal as on the same level and you don't want to dominate.

How do you cope with abuse?
People come from all over Germany to protest at my house, and there is a lot of hate on the Internet. I try to understand why – I think it is because people see animals as children. There is a lot of pressure, many zoophiles have depression or even commit suicide. But I have never been attracted to people and my situation now (with Alsatian Cessy) is the best possible.

However, animal rights groups claim the practice is out of control. "The issue has become so public, and inhibitions fall," Astrid Behr, head of the German Association of Veterinarians, told Metro, indicating the growth of popular websites and forums, although she could not confirm the existence of rumored "pet brothels.".

Behr denies that bestiality would be a victimless crime: "Perpetrators go unpunished, but sexual acts with animals are always associated with great physical and psychological injury."

The amendment is expected to be finalized in December, and offenders could face a 25,000 Euro fine.

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Still legal in ...

- **Denmark:** The government resisted a 2006 campaign to ban bestiality.
- **Sweden:** The Animal Welfare Agency wants to update abuse laws but is not calling for a ban.
- **Thailand:** No laws on bestiality, but you can be fined for "subduing a female dog."

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Metro's **Dorothy Robinson** shares her take on the world of gossip @dorothyatmetro dorothy.robinson@metro.us

Jessica Simpson raises Nick Lachey's baby count by one

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Whoa. Here's news I didn't see coming: **Jessica Simpson** is pregnant, again.

Seven months after giving birth to daughter **Maxwell**, Jessica Simpson is reportedly already expecting another child, according to Us Weekly. "It definitely wasn't planned," a source says. "But yes, Jessica is pregnant again." This would be the second baby for Simpson and fiance **Eric Johnson**. A rep for Simpson has yet to comment.

Oh man, you guys. This brings up so many questions, mainly: What was she thinking? But also: Is she taking cues from notorious quick-turnaround-breeder **Tori Spelling**? (Ed. note: Never, ever take life tips from Tori Spelling.) What will happen to her multimillion-dollar campaign with Weight Watchers? Because you know girlfriend isn't going to slim down anytime soon. And does this mean we're all going to be subjected to photos of her being gigantic yet again? As someone who has a 7-month-old at home, I'm down with pregnant ladies and have nothing but respect for them, but my Us Weekly just finally stopped running photos of her waddling around L.A. Hey, paparazzi — I think we (and probably Jessica Simpson) could use a little break. Let's let her gestate in peace this go-round, OK?

▶ What about Weight Watchers?! Simpson (seen here with her fiance Eric Johnson) is reportedly three months pregnant.

The feed ...

▶ Checking in with some of Hollywood's biggest names to see what they've been up to — in their own words, in 140 characters or fewer.

@jtimberlake
Memphis... I love you. Always good to come home. Thanksgiving has gotta be the best holiday. Also, I'm a pig.

@pattyduke_id
Have any of you heard or seen an article on twitter going to start charging a fee. Let me know, got a tweet saying it, but might be hacker

@JonahHill
Now I'm watching Black Swan and this movie is crazy and amazing.

@JimCarrey
Archeologists are now saying that the visit of the 3 Magi to baby Jesus did happen but that the myrrh may have been a regift!

▶ Dolly "not gay" Parton

Dolly Parton: Still not gay

Continuing on Things That Are Surprising Dorothy Today, did you all know that there are lesbian rumors surrounding **Dolly Parton**? It's true! Color me **John Travolta**! Despite being married to **Carl Dean** for 46 years, the country singer continually has to swat down rumors that romantically link her to her best friend **Judy Ogly**. "Judy and I have been best friends since we were like in the third and fourth grade," Parton says in an interview with ABC's Nightline. We still just have a great friendship and relationship and I love her as much as I love anybody in the whole world, but we're not romantically involved." On the plus side, the persistent rumors did give Parton something she could bond over with **Oprah Winfrey**: "Like **Gayle** [**King**], her friend [and] Judy, my friend, they just think that you just can't be that close to somebody," Parton says.

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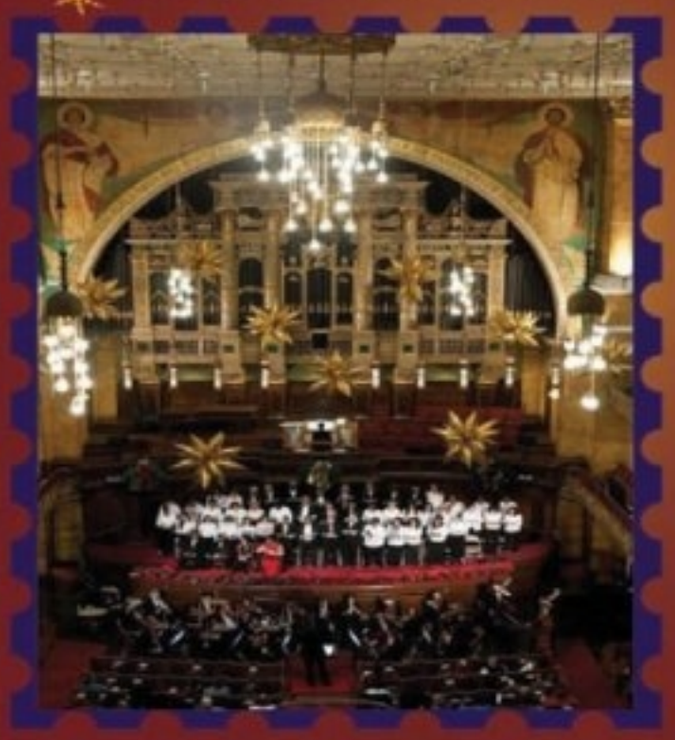

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▶ Ben Mendelson, left, and Scoot McNairy are two guns for hire in "Killing Them Softly."

Must see

1 **'Killing Them Softly'** This grimy underworld drama follows some fools who rip off a mobster's card game and must answer to an uncompromising enforcer (Brad Pitt).

2 **'The Collection'** The masterminds of the "Saw" franchise reappear with a new Svengali of torture games: a hooded man who kidnaps a girl and takes her to his elaborate maze of killing machines.

3 **'Hitchcock'** Sir Anthony Hopkins disappears into the fat suit of Alfred Hitchcock in this film that depicts the making of the suspense master's most widely known film, "Psycho."

4 **'Life of Pi'** Ang Lee's latest effort, about a young man adrift at sea with only a tiger for company, offers dazzling 3-D visuals and plenty of Oscar buzz.

5 **'Rise of the Guardians'** Alec Baldwin loans his voice to this animated feature that imagines mythical figures banding together to protect children from a villain. METRO

TV watch list

'30 Rock'

COMEDY. You know "30 Rock" is drawing closer to its end when Liz Lemon — Liz Lemon! — gets married. The harried heroine and her love, Criss Chross, tie the knot tonight, but not without an appearance by Liz's ex: Dennis Duffy, the Beeper King (guest star Dean Winters). **8 p.m., NBC**

'Elementary'

DRAMA. More dangerous than the years-old bomb that suddenly detonates in an office is Sherlock's awkward chemistry with a CEO played by guest star Lisa Edelstein. **10:01 p.m., CBS**

'Burn Notice'

DRAMA. Bringing more than just comic relief, guest star/comedian Patton Oswalt plays a smuggler who agrees to free the gang of their CIA woes — for a price. **10 p.m., USA**

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Wachusett Mountain
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Base elevation: 990 ft.
Summit elevation: 2,006 ft.
Vertical drop: 1,000 ft.
Skiable area: 110 acres
Number of lifts: 8
Number of trails: 22
Longest run: 7,050 ft.
Known for being the best nighttime skiing location, with trails open until 10 p.m., this scene is perfect for after school or work. Although it's too late to get your discounted season pass, you can still take advantage of the 3-Peat Card, three days of skiing and riding for the low price of $129.

MAINE

Sugarloaf USA
www.sugarloaf.com
Base elevation: 1,417 ft.
Summit elevation: 4,237 ft.
Vertical drop: 2,820 ft.
Number of lifts: 15
Number of trails: 145
Longest run: 18,480 ft.
Forget about sleeping in your car for the night. With the new Zoom Room card, you can stay in a hotel-style room or studio condo for the night, starting at $99. New changes are going to happen at Sugarloaf, with plans of expanding terrain, adding new lifts and overall village improvements.

Sunday River Ski Resort
www.sundayriver.com
Base elevation: 800 ft.
Summit elevation: 3,140 ft.
Vertical drop: 2,340 ft.
Skiable area: 667 acres
Number of lifts: 16
Number of trails: 132
Longest run: 5,840 ft.
Act quickly, because you only have a few more days to take advantage of the deal on college season passes (just $359!). This also will be Sunday River's 13th annual Santa Sunday on Dec. 2. Celebrating the beginning of winter and the upcoming holiday, skiers who dress up like Santa will be able to ski for free and receive a lift ticket.

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Loon Mountain
www.loonmtn.com
Base elevation: 950 ft.
Summit elevation: 3,050 ft.
Vertical drop: 2,100 ft.
Skiable area: 370 acres
Number of lifts: 12
Number of trails: 60
Longest run: 13,200 ft.
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Gunstock Mountain Resort
www.gunstock.com
Base elevation: 900 ft.
Summit elevation: 2,300 ft.
Vertical drop: 1,400 ft.
Skiable area: 227 acres
Number of lifts: 8
Number of trails: 55
Longest run: 13,200 ft.
The snow guns are currently blazing, making the hills perfect for skiers this season. The resort is pleased to offer authentic Trail Signs, where skiers and riders are able to customize their own sign to look exactly like the ones on the slopes. Awesome!

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Number of trails: 77
Longest run: 15,840 ft.
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Summit elevation: 3,640 ft.
Vertical drop: 2,610 ft.
Skiable area: 1,000 acres
Number of lifts: 8
Number of trails: 78
Longest run: 18,480 ft.
Amazing deals this winter include a six-night stay with an additional night free. If you're traveling with young children, you're able to take advantage of the free child care for children 6 weeks to 3 years old, as long as you have your Club Smugglers' Classic or Summit package with you. METRO/BOSTON.COM

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Nashoba Valley Ski Area
www.skinashoba.com
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Summit elevation: 440 ft.
Vertical drop: 240 ft.
Skiable area: 59 acres
Number of lifts: 8
Number of trails: 17
Longest run: 3,000 ft.
Only 45 minutes away from Boston, this area is great for large crowds, with eight lifts, 17 trails and a terrain park. If that doesn't spark your interest, then maybe the large discounts on family season passes will; buy a second pass and take off $50, buy a third and take off $100, buy any more than that and take off $150.

A long-awaited 'Dawn' breaks

Star Adrianne Palicki is thrilled to see her action film finally get released after three years of waiting

After three years of waiting, Adrianne Palicki is finally seeing her remake of 1984's "Red Dawn" — delayed by the same MGM bankruptcy issues that delayed "Skyfall" — hit theaters. It's a sign that things are looking up for the actress after the end of "Friday Night Lights" and the failed launch of a new "Wonder Woman" TV series. With "Red Dawn" and next year's "G.I. Joe: Retaliation," Palicki is definitely optimistic.

"Red Dawn" has had a number of release dates.
Thanksgivings for the last three years, yes. Pretty much.

Did any of your friends or family stop believing you that it actually existed?
You know what? I just stopped telling people I was in it. They were like, "When's that movie coming out?" and I'd be like, "I don't know what you're talking about. No idea. I never did that movie."

How is it to finally see it coming out?
Sometimes I pinch myself. And now seeing posters places I'm like, "OK! See?" Every time I'm reminded or my friend will call and she's like, "I saw it in front of 'Argo!'" I'm like, OK, it's happening. Because there were three years when it was going to happen and then it was not going to happen and then it was going to happen and then it was not going to happen. It's just nice. Thank God finally people can stop asking me when this movie's coming out.

What did you think about the decision to change the villains from Chinese to North Korean in postproduction?
China was a cool thing. It was ballsy. It's big, and it's kind of like that's possible, you know? But I understand why they felt they had to do it. I don't know, I think the biggest part of this movie that needs to be remembered is that it's not necessarily as much a political movie as it is a movie to go to and have fun and watch big explosions and car chases. Because it's very realistic. You know, six kids coming and taking back the country. Happens all the time. [Laughs] Whether you want to look at it as a political movie or not, there are a lot of parallels between what's been happening overseas and what's been happening in this movie, you know?

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"Sometimes I pinch myself. ... I'm like, OK, it's happening."
PALICKI, ON THE LONG-ANTICIPATED RELEASE OF "RED DAWN"

Adrianne Palicki

Real-life survival skills

The characters in "Red Dawn" face a daunting challenge when their town is overrun by the North Korean military and they must defend it. But how would the actors fare in such a life-or-death situation? Palicki is confident that Hollywood has prepared her for the worst. "Now, after all the training I've had for this movie and 'G.I. Joe' and 'Wonder Woman,' I feel like I could really hurt somebody. Or, you know, an amount of people," she says. "I think there's going to be a lot of people pissed off who trained me if I'm just in the corner going, 'Please don't hurt me!'"

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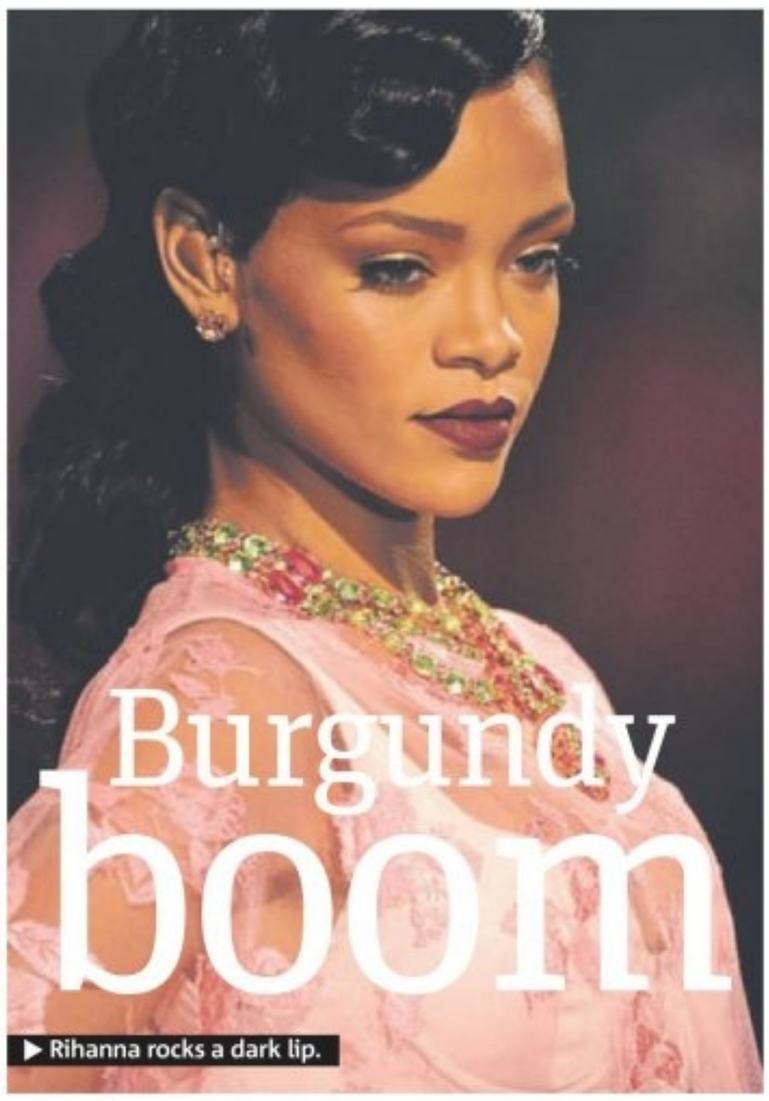

Burgundy boom

▶ Rihanna rocks a dark lip.

Shades of merlot and oxblood are a runway-endorsed beauty trend
But Rihanna's recent appearances have us really craving a dark lip
Expert tips on how to pull it off

Camilla Belle

Choose the shade to best flatter your skin tone: This bit of advice will keep you from looking like a washed out goth. "If you have very light skin, avoid a dark burgundy. It's too heavy on the face," says makeup guru Tanya Burr, who is most known for her YouTube tutorials on how to re-create celebrity looks. "People with olive complexions can pull off darker shades because it won't be such a shock against the skin. And for dark skin, vibrant shades of burgundy, such as MAC's lipstick in Rebel, are most flattering," she adds.

Avoid textures that are too matte or too glossy: It's not just the shade of burgundy you need to get right, but the texture. "Completely matte, dark lipsticks look too heavy," Burr says. "And ones that are too glossy are really hard to work with because they end up all over your teeth." Go for a satin, creamy finish for the best results.

Balance a heavy lip with a subtle, smoky eye: "Balance" is the operative word here. "Because burgundy lips are so heavy, you don't want to go full-on, applying lots of dark eye makeup," Burr says. "But, don't wear a naked eye either because otherwise the eyes and the lips will be really unbalanced. Don't think, 'I'll just put on mascara.' You'll be all lip," she adds. Instead, she recommends trying a subtle, soft brown smoky eye as a way to round out the drama of the lip.

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Typically celebrities meet and fall in love while they are working on a project or walking down the red carpet, so they are usually at their best. So the question is, if you meet under fairytale circumstances, like actress Scarlett Johansson and reported new boyfriend Romain Dauriac did, when can you let your hair down with a romantic partner and just be yourself? You certainly don't have to be a celebrity to be faced with this dilemma.

Anyone who is beginning to date can get caught up in working hard to be his or her best self — whatever that might mean. You want to be seen in the greatest possible light, which might lead you to always make sure your hair, makeup and clothes are perfect. It might also force you to be superaware of what you are saying and doing at all times, wanting to make a good impression. Not only does that require a whole lot of energy, it might ultimately lead to your holding back from expressing your own needs in an effort to make the other person happy.

What happens, though, if you let your guard down and express your preferences? Does your partner welcome it — or get annoyed and make demands, wondering where the old hypersolicitous person went? If all is well, hopefully you feel accepted and you can continue to open up and be yourself, which will make the relationship grow. If not, and your partner seems uncomfortable with the real you, then talk about the things that are important to you and see if he or she is able and willing to understand them and be responsive. If your partner can't, and seems to want just that "best" you, then you might be in a dead-end relationship.

The goal is to be able to relax and feel safe so that you can be genuine and not self-conscious. You want to feel free to voice your wishes, not worry about being judged. After all, who can be red carpet-ready all the time?

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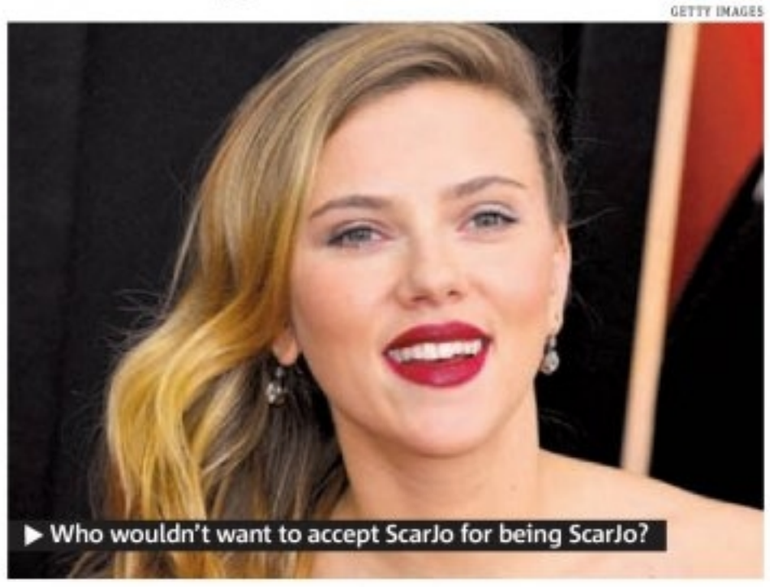

▶ Who wouldn't want to accept ScarJo for being ScarJo?

— Relationship expert **Dr. Jane Greer** *is creator of* ***"Shrink Wrap"*** *– national commentary on what we can learn from celebrity relationships – and host of* ***"Let's Talk Sex"*** *at* ***Healthylife.net.*** *Her book,* ***"What About Me? Stop Selfishness From Ruining Your Relationship,"*** *is available nationwide.*

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Christmas crafting: Potato printing

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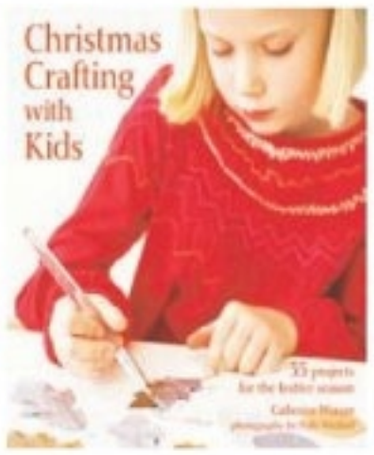

To help get you and your family in the Christmas spirit, we've excerpted this potato printing wrapping paper craft from the book "Christmas Crafting with Kids" by Catherine Woram.

Potato printing

You will need:

- Medium-sized potato
- Star-shaped cookie cutter
- Chopping board
- Sharp knife (used by adult)
- Kitchen paper/dry cloth
- Paints
- Plain white paper

▶ Potato prints

1 **Cut the potato in half, making sure the surface of the potato is as flat as possible.** Place the cookie cutter on a cutting board with the sharp edge facing upwards. Press the potato firmly down onto the cutter, leaving the cookie cutter standing on the cut surface of the potato so you can cut around it.

2 **Ask an adult to cut away the edges of the potato using a sharp knife.** Press the potato down onto a dry cloth or piece of kitchen paper to remove any excess moisture, which can make the paint watery.

3 **Pour the paint into a saucer and use the end of the sponge paint roller to apply the paint to the star shape.** Don't apply too much paint to the potato, as this will make the design bleed.

4 **Begin printing. To ensure the design prints clearly, use a gentle rocking motion by moving the potato from side to side without lifting it from the paper.** This will apply the paint evenly even if the cut surface of the potato is not flat. Continue to print the stars at evenly spaced intervals. Allow the paint to dry completely.

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Donkeys don't really have much to bray about

RE: "WHY BOTHER HAVING ANOTHER OPINION? ASSIMILATE!" (METRO, NOV. 27) Kudos to Metro for the clever "Assimilate" headline for Larry Blong's letter to the editor, summarizing a Democrat's suggestion that Republicans become less Republican.

The problem is, it was the letter writer's brand that polled almost 4 million fewer votes for president compared to four years earlier, and 33 fewer electoral votes, while the Republican brand picked up thousands of votes. Perhaps it's Democrats that ought to embrace the Republican principles of fiscal sanity and pay-as-you-go, instead of endless increases in taxes and debt.

DARRELL HARTWICK, VIA E-MAIL

In long list of social evils, pot doesn't make the cut

RE: "REPORT: MARIJUANA ARRESTEES DO NOT BECOME VIOLENT CRIMINALS" (METRO, NOV. 28) At the end of the day, creative entrepreneurs will always provide the citizens' desire, regardless of government approval. Consumers have made marijuana a multibillion dollar enterprise. Legalize it and add a sales tax. Revenues will cover the costs of any abuse. Citizens have more to fear from murder, arson, rape, muggings, robberies, auto and identity theft or home break-ins along with ever-increasing levels of confiscatory taxation and debt by government. Free law enforcement to pursue those who commit real crimes against citizens and property. At 18, you are old enough to vote, be a parent, pay taxes, own a car, take out a bank loan, serve in the military and die for your country. Not being able to consume marijuana legally at 18 or any age makes no sense.

LARRY PENNER, VIA E-MAIL

An odd bandwagon to jump on

RE: "RICE MEETING WITH SENATORS FAILS TO QUELL DOUBTS" (METRO, NOV. 28) I understand the political motivations of Senators Graham, McCain and Ayotte. Susan Rice has bristled many in her long and distinguished 20 year political career. What I don't understand is all the lemmings across the country who are chiming in that couldn't have named who the UN ambassador was before Sept.11, 2012, without using Google.

LARRY FOWLER, VIA E-MAIL

Reid shouldn't start sleeping in yet

Fans may want Jeff Lurie to fire Andy Reid this season, but let me give you a little piece of reality: Reid will be here the rest of this year and through the 2013 season, Why? Because Lurie is a loyal person and Reid has helped him become a billionaire. He does not have the coach to replace him as of yet, and Andy doesn't play on the field. Making a move for the sake of fandom is not how Lurie operates. So Eagles fans, look for Howie and Marty and a few more coaches to be gone before Andy, and don't be surprised when "BIG RED" is walking the sideline next season. **DARREN CEPHAS, VIA E-MAIL**

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Horoscope

♐ Sagittarius **Nov. 23-Dec. 21.** In order to be effective, you need to be left to your own devices. However, you should still consult with others when the circumstances call for it.

♑ Capricorn **Dec. 22-Jan. 19.** If you let them, friends could play important roles in helping you construct your plans. They can assist you in sorting out your thoughts.

♒ Aquarius **Jan. 20-Feb. 19.** Set your playthings aside for the time being, and devote your efforts to some worthy endeavors. A great deal can be accomplished if you buckle down and apply yourself.

♓ Pisces **Feb. 20-March 20.** You have a gift of swaying others to your way of thinking, so try not to waste it on insignificant issues or projects. Do your best to promote something of substance and true worth.

♈ Aries **March 21-April 19.** You're in a fortunate but momentary cycle where Dame Fortune could put you in the right spot at the right time to reap a harvest that you didn't sow. Gather up as much as you can; it won't last forever.

♉ Taurus **April 20-May 20.** Something extremely interesting is in the works that will involve you and a close friend. Whatever it is, it will help you fulfill a longtime hope that you both share.

♊ Gemini **May 21-June 20.** Unusually large rewards related to your work or career could be in the offing. However, you'll have to be extremely discerning, because they won't be too obvious.

♋ Cancer **June 21-July 22.** You're likely to be exceptionally fortunate with just about everything except money. Enjoy the day, but be very prudent and careful when it comes to the financial realm.

♌ Leo **July 23-Aug. 22.** It isn't likely that you will be able to sit idly by and do nothing about the inequities you see all around you. Your strong sense of justice will motivate you to make what improvements you can.

♍ Virgo **Aug. 23-Sept. 22.** If there are phone calls to make, e-mails to send or letters to answer, this is the day to work on them. A happy surprise could be in the offing.

♎ Libra **Sept. 23-Oct. 23.** Because you won't be afraid to take a calculated risk to get ahead, the chances of fulfilling your material expectations look to be exceptionally good.

♏ Scorpio **Oct. 24-Nov. 22.** Some recent experiences have added a bit of zest to your take-charge attitude, and you won't be reluctant to use it. You'll understand that your destiny remains in your hands.

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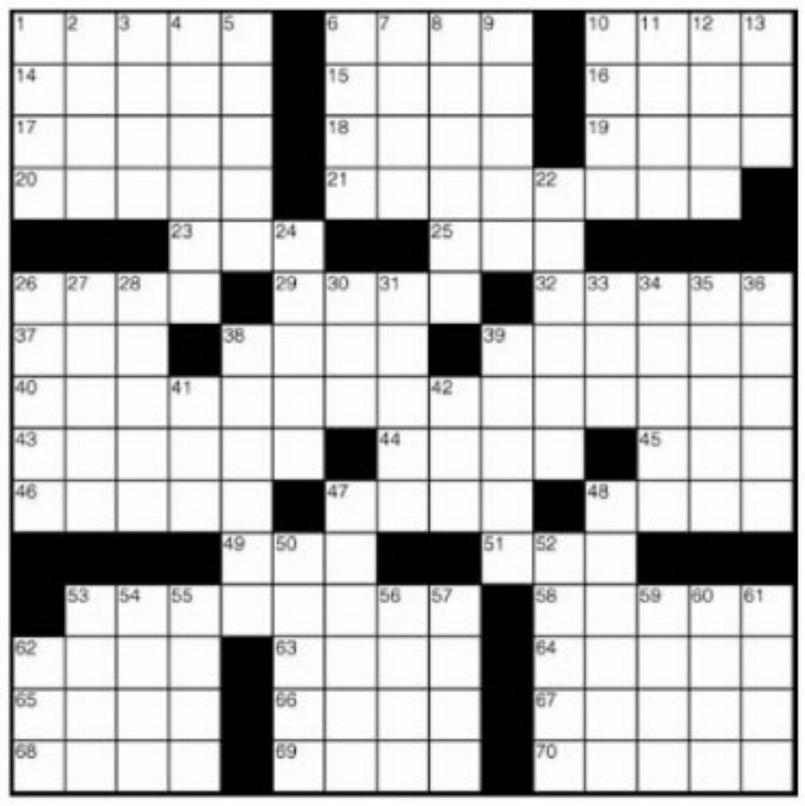

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We've spent so much time regarding the serious side of cocktails that Daddy Jones is a refreshing reminder that drinking is supposed to be fun. Magoun Square's latest opening is one-half low-lit urban bistro and one-half museum of fondly remembered kitsch, with TVs playing '80s sitcoms and high school gym lockers affixed above the bar for bottle storage. The conceit comes from owner Dimitra Tsourianis' memories of cocktail of trends past, as well as her Greek heritage. That means modern updates on a sex on the beach, for example, and a bourbon served with a spoon coated in Mastiha, the sugary-sweet, taffy-like Greek candy.

"The nostalgia thing is funny because it goes more into the Greek ingredients that I use than the fun, cheesy '80s and '90s cocktails. All the Greek desserts, those are things I grew up with. ... They have these really high sugar desserts that they serve that are really small," she explains, like the

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It's not just an old wives' tale that oysters should only be eaten when there's an R in the month. In cold waters like the Northeast's, summer is spawning time and, generally, the oyster's flesh becomes flabby and has less flavor. Timely, then, that Umbria Prime added Oyster Bar to its name this fall, extending the range of seafood this longtime Italian restaurant offers. Wisely, Umbria's raw bar choice — a daily rotation of around 10 types — culls locally: Maine's Winter Points have a soft flavor and slight sweetness;

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▶ Cheers to oyster season!

Edgartown's Katama Bays are large and rich; New Brunswick's Fire Rivers are small and densely mineral-y.

The oyster bar itself is a vibrant visual to the room, which was stripped back to old brick and humongous wood beams years ago.

Oysters make for a light, low-calorie appetizer before a warming plate of pasta. Umbria's pappardelle coats thick ribbons in a rich, creamy woodland ragu of shredded wild boar and mushrooms. More delicate, the butternut squash ravioli — both pastas are perfectly chewy — has a honey sauce that's light and doesn't overpower the squash with sugariness. Another fine companion to oysters is a nice glass of white wine — go with Prosecco or Conundrum Caymus, which is mellowed by the oyster's brine.

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syrupy thick Greek cherries used to garnish cocktails.

"I love using more interesting garnishes and making things more fun and lighthearted. It's the kind of thing where it's a dessert on its own," she says.

Typically maligned cocktails like the Blue Hawaiian or a screwdriver don't have to be overlooked either, she says. The idea was to use better quality spirits and ingredients to update drinks that people remember fondly from their youth but don't order anymore out of a self-imposed sense of seriousness. "There is this big disconnect when you go to craft cocktail bars or a standard pub," she says of cocktail quality.

They also use frozen Mexican Coca Cola to make a better Jack and Coke. "I kind of wanted to fuse the two."

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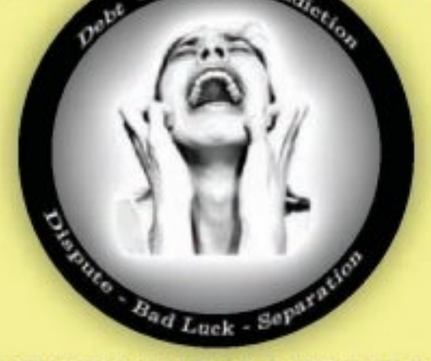

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▶ The ever enigmatic Black Moth Super Rainbow never appear sans masks in promo pictures.

Psychedelic rockers Black Moth Super Rainbow keep their distance with a poppy, expletive-laden new offering, 'Cobra Juicy'

It's a meaner album, says main man Tom Fec

Tom Fec, otherwise known as Tobacco, otherwise known (with other band members) as Black Moth Super Rainbow, is something of a man of mystery. Sequestered in the woods outside of Pittsburgh, Fec sings only through the electronic machinations of a vocoder, so it's rare when a journalist gets to hear his absent-minded meanderings without a filter.

"I have a lot of limitations because I can't sing," he explains. "I can pretty much get anything I want out of the vocoder, so that's why I go with it."

Masks are also a major theme for this enigmatic band, who just released their fifth full-length album. Like most of the BMSR albums before it, the cover art for "Cobra Juicy" features a haunting face. The hollow eyes of it seem to echo the distance Fec puts between himself and the fans of his work, and it gives the psychedelic trash-rock he makes that much more effectively creepy.

"I have a lot of limitations because I can't sing."
TOM FEC

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"I grew up on Garbage Pail Kids and Mad Balls and all that kind of s—," Fec says. "I was always drawn to this big colorful kind of ugly, but well-designed faces and I think that's what it'll always be. I think [the cover art] is as important as the music. I think it frames it all, so I have to make it for every album."

The care that Fec puts into the design of those creepy faces is purposeful, he says. "Cobra Juicy" was funded by a Kickstarter campaign and Fec wants to be sure that fans are getting something for their money.

"There aren't a lot of bands who really care about their album covers, it feels like," he says. "They're really boring and it makes sense to me why you would want to just download it and not own a physical copy. It's like, 'Why would I want this stupid picture? Why would I want this in my house?'"

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The 'Juicy' sound

As for the sound of the new album, Fec says: "It's about as poppy as I thought we'd ever do."

But he also adds that fans can expect to hear a sharper edge in the lyrics. The album is the first of the band's to feature a parental advisory sticker, after all.

"It's a more fun album. It's a little more like me, I guess. It's a little meaner," he says. "It's not nice because I always thought of Black Moths as my baby and I've always curated the way I release it to the public in a nice way. At the end of the day, it's not totally who I am. I guess it's just more honest."

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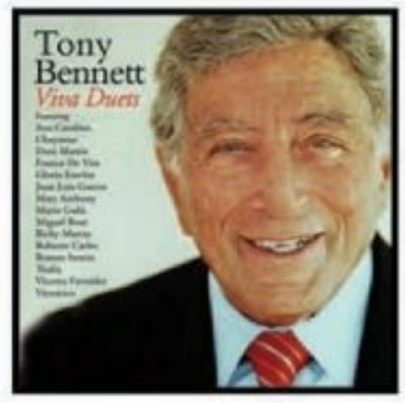

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MATT BURKE
SPORTS EDITOR

CELTICS DEPTH ISN'T A RECIPE FOR TITLE RUN

The history of the NBA suggests that having two or three superstar players on your roster is the absolute easiest way to win a championship. There is little in the league's history to suggest that having 11 or 12 solid players takes precedence.

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By all accounts, Celtics boss Danny Ainge did everything and more to make the 2012-13 roster better than the 2011-12 roster that lost to the Heat in the Eastern Conference Finals. Ainge acquired two former Sixth Man of the Year winners in Jason Terry and Leandro Barbosa. He re-signed two players in Brandon Bass and Jeff Green who would start for most teams in the NBA. He re-signed a former league MVP in Kevin Garnett and brought in a young, frontcourt stud in rookie Jared Sullinger. Chris Wilcox and Courtney Lee are more than serviceable.

The Celtics are still finding themselves and it's still far too early to draw any conclusions about this season, but is there one reason to believe, given Ainge's track record at the trade deadline, to believe that today's roster will be the same in March as it is today? Ainge is no dummy. He knows what you and I both know — the Celtics currently have too many chefs in the kitchen. He knows that benches shorten in the postseason and finding minutes for 11 or 12 guys during crucial playoff games is a pipe dream.

It's why no one should be surprised if two, three, four or more of these guys are moved in the next few months for something that resembles another true superstar. Things happen quickly in the NBA. Big name players get upset with their respective situations overnight, especially when that player realizes in late January or early February that his team won't have a sniff at a title. At the same time, the owners of these lower-tier NBA teams don't even blink anymore when trying to shed the hefty contracts of a superstar. Dating back to 2008, we've seen names like Dwight Howard, Andrew Bynum, Chris Paul, Andrew Bogut, Carmelo Anthony, Deron Williams, Gerald Wallace, Tyson Chandler and Pau Gasol all dealt away. In other words, blockbuster trades are now the norm.

▶ Courtney Lee

The 2007-08 championship team was plenty deep, yes. But the team rarely used more than three guys off the bench. P.J. Brown, James Posey and Leon Powe were the only guys who played significant minutes (10 or more per game) in the 2008 Finals against Los Angeles. More recently, the champion Heat had just seven players who played 10 minutes or more down the stretch last spring (Norris Cole averaged 8.4 in the Finals).

Ainge currently has nearly as many chips as he did back in 2007 when he made the franchise-altering Garnett deal. That's a scary deal for Celtics fans who are frightened of change. But if a player, like say, Atlanta's Josh Smith (still young at 26 years old) becomes available in the next few months, sudden change should be welcomed. Even if it comes at the expense of the Celtics' depth.

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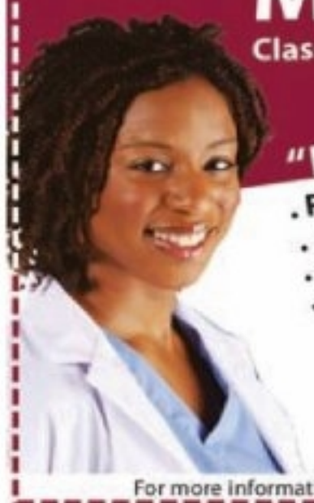

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11. Colts (7-4) They continue to prove tanking for a season isn't all that bad of an idea.
12. Bucs (6-5) Ronde Barber's discovered the fountain of youth.
13. Seahawks (6-5) Seattle just can't win outside the Pacific Northwest with a 1-5 away record.
14. Steelers (6-5) Pittsburgh needs a more competent third-stringer.

Metro's NFL power rankings | Week 12

1 TEXANS (10-1)
Houston might have been gift-wrapped a win by the referees on Thanksgiving against the Lions, but they'll take it. For the second straight week, Matt Schaub proved he might be the most underrated QB in the league.

2 FALCONS (10-1)
Is Atlanta the most unappreciated team in the NFL? They went into a hostile environment against running back Doug Martin a red-hot Tampa Bay team and rallied for a comeback win.

3 49ERS (8-2-1)
Colin Kaepernick is high risk and very high reward, and Jim Harbaugh can take that risk because the kid has the most dominating defense in football.

4 RAVENS (9-2)
"Hey diddle diddle, Ray Rice up the middle." The fourth-and-29 miracle play against San Diego keeps the Ravens on track and spawns the best slogan of the season.

5 BEARS (8-3)
Jay Cutler might rub some people the wrong way, but he's game on. Let's see how the Bears respond after suffering key injuries.

6 BRONCOS (8-3)
What's the ultimate compliment? Beating a team and then having its star running back ask for your autograph. That was the Peyton Manning Effect in the works against the Chiefs last week.

7 GIANTS (7-4)
In the battle of Good Eli vs. Bad Eli, the Good Eli Manning showed Aaron Rodgers why two Super Bowl rings are better than one.

8 PATRIOTS (8-3)
As always, New England is peaking at just the right time of the season after a trashing of the Jets. The Patriots are 19-0 in the second half dating back to 2010.

9 PACKERS (7-4)
The Pack looked vulnerable without Clay Matthews anchoring the defense — and the offensive line did Aaron Rodgers no favors.

10 COLTS (7-4)
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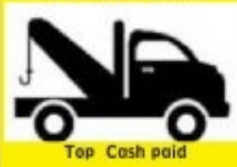

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INFORMAL PROBATE PUBLICATION NOTICE
Docket No. **SU12P2114EA**
Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court
Probate and Family Court
In the Estate of: Kowk T. Yee
Date of Death: October 31, 2009
Suffolk Probate and Family Court
24 New Chardon Street
PO Box 9667, Boston, MA 02114
(617) 788-8300

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, a Petition of James W. Yee of Allston MA. A Will has been admitted to informal probate. James W. Yee of Allston, MA has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate to serve without surety on the bond.

The estate is being administered under informal procedure by the Personal Representative under the Massachusetts Uniform Probate Code without supervision by the Court. Inventory and accounts are not required to be filed with the Court, but interested parties are entitled to notice regarding the administration from the Personal Representative and can petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including distribution of assets and expenses of administration. Interested parties are entitled to petition the Court to institute formal proceedings and to obtain orders terminating or restricting the powers of Personal Representatives appointed under informal procedure. A copy of the Petition and Will, if any, can be obtained from the Petitioner.

Legal Notices

DIVORCE SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION AND MAILING
Docket No. **SU12D2155DR**
Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trail Court
Probate and Family Court
Denny Rossy Pena Gonzalez – Emerson Alejandro Pimental Lara
To the Defendant:
Suffolk Probate and Family Court
24 New Chardon Street
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The Plaintiff has filed a Complaint for Divorce requesting that the Court grant a divorce Irretrievable breakdown of the marriage pursuant to G. L. c. 208 Sec 1B. The Complaint is on file at the Court.

An Automatic Restraining Order has been entered in this matter preventing you from taking any action which would negatively impact the current financial status of either party. **SEE Supplemental Probate Court Rule 411.**

You are hereby summoned and required to serve upon:
Denny Rossy Pena Gonzalez
835 Huntington Avenue, #1107 Boston, MA 02215
your answer, if any, on or before **11/29/2012.** If you fail to do so, the court will proceed to the hearing and adjudication of this action. You are also required to file a copy of your answer, if any, in the office of the Register of this Court.

WITNESS, Hon. Joan P Armstrong, First Justice of this Court.
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